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PENITENTIARY TROUBLES

The warden and chapel guard at the Oregon penitentiary have resigned their positions. The dispatches from Salem do not give the reason but it can safely be attributed to friction in the management. These are important and much sought positions. Men do not vol untarily quit such jobs unless they have weighty reasons, or think they have. The warden who was newly landed in his place held the most important position in the institution. The chapel guard was an old employe and had come to be recognized as a kind o authority on prison affairs.

Frequent changes in such positions is unfortunate for the state. Not that it has concern in the personal interests of the employes that come and go, but it has a care and a grave one in the dis cipline of the prison. The woods are full of escaped convicts in California and it is due to lax discipline at the Folsom prison.

Wardens are not made in a day. The handling of prisoners is a profession few have qualified for and few good men careto. The best interests of a penal institution require trained employes and the system that permits the dropping of trained officials for untrained is a bad one.

The trouble with penitentiaries, particularly those of the coast states, is they are mere political footballs. A few more breaks, and people will be ready to demand a reform in the manner of choosing prison officials. There is a'ready general disgust. One of the best, if not the best, prison man in Bride has cause to regret the sacrifice the history of this district .- Mist, of Warden Catron to satisfy political demands. Mr. Wilkinson, Who through the devious course of politics bodily away from his own institution, keep the pace, released as excess luggage. Mr. James, the present super- formances. intendent of the Oregon penitentiary, was selected for the position, not because of his fitness or aptitude to handacter of Mr. James as a man. He is neither worse nor better than his predecessor. It is the practice permitting a man past the prime of life who has criminals nor made a study of penology brothers who are present. to be picked up and placed in charge of a western prison, where many of the world's worst criminals are to as conreform school 16-year old boys who could teach him forms of vice he never thought of. If a serious break does not take place at the Oregon penitenthery before his term as experimend ent expires, it will be more of a wonder than M a general "getnway" occurs Permitting friction to arise that necessitutes a change of officers, particularly the office of warden. So impotant



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What the cocktail is to, the American as an ante-dinner appetizer, sherry and bitters is to the Briton; and, with the American fondness for adopting foreign customs, a glass of sherry with a soupcon of Angostura has of late been growing in favor in America. At the recent dinner to the British Ambassador, given by the New York branch of the Pilgrim's club at Delmonico's, sherry and Angostura were served instead of cocktails, and Sir Michael thoroughly appreciated the deference shown to English taste.

the west was recently let out of the abundant one this season. Hay and wardenship of the penitentiary at Walla fruits are taxing the efforts of the pro Walla, to make place for a man with ducers to properly handle and care for political claims on Washington's gov- them, while the export of dairy and ernor. It will not be at all surprising if humber products, poles, saw-logs, shinbefore his term expires, Governor Mc- gles, etc., far surpasses any period it

The regatta committee declined to landed in the wardenship of the Foi- man and the officers denied him the som prison in California, was carried privilege of cating snakes on Astoria's streets. Thus is an idotic enterprise by his own prisoners, and unable to thwarted. It's strange that some communities permit such dehumanizing per

The dirtiest slam at St. Helens' Women was made by the Rainler paper le prisoners but for political reasons. during the county seat campaign, when Nothing is to be said against the char- it stated that the principal inhabitants ore blonds grass-widows.-Mist.

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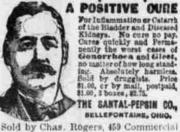
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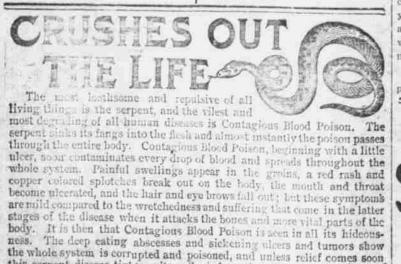
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